

EXHIBIT B

Chapter 45 of the Acts of 2005

Office of the Commissioner of Probation.

0339-1001

For the office of the commissioner of probation; provided, that **notwithstanding the any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the commissioner, subject to appropriation, shall have exclusive authority to appoint, dismiss, assign and discipline probation officers, associate probation officers, probation officers-in-charge, assistant chief probation officers and chief probation officers**; provided further, that the associate probation officers shall only perform in-court functions and shall assume the in-court duties of the currently employed probation officers who shall be reassigned within the probation service subject to collective bargaining agreements to perform intensive, community-based supervision of probationers, including the provisions of intensive supervision and community restraint services as described in item 0339-1004; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, probation officer personnel and probation clerical support staff assigned to the courts shall be provided with suitable office space in their current location in and around the various divisions and departments of the trial court, as the case may be, or in suitable office

space as appropriate, with the advice and consent of the commissioner; provided further, that the office shall enter into an interagency service agreement with the department of revenue to verify income data and to utilize the departments wage reporting and bank match system for the purpose of weekly tape-matching, so-called, for the purposes of determining an individual's eligibility for appointment of indigent counsel, as defined in chapter 211D of the General Laws; provided further, that the office shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the progress of eligibility verification with the department ; and provided further, that the report shall include, but not be limited to, the number of individuals to be found misrepresenting assets, revenue generated through collection of indigent client fees, the average indigent client fee that each court division collects per case since the effective date of this act, recommendations on improvements in verifying eligibility for counsel and other pertinent information to ascertain the effectiveness of verification; and provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for the commissioner of probation to implement a global positioning system in collaboration with the Massachusetts parole board utilizing ankle bracelets to track level 3 sex offenders actively on parole and sex offenders currently being supervised by the office of the commissioner of probation and

considered appropriate for tracking by the
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